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FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY. Prayers Offered for Miss Stone at To-

who were present. The subject that was brought forth for

discussion was "Christian Missions, Home and Foreign." and among those who par-ticipated were: Mrs. Hartsock, Mrs. C. L. Roach, Mrs. J. L. Gilbert, Mrs. Culbert-son, Mrs. Catlin, Mrs. Monroe and Mrs.

years a missionary in India, and Mrs. McAllister, who was for many years in the African missionary field, entertained the gathering with their experiences. They spoke forcibly of the need of work in those countries.

Mrs. C. W. Gallagher, whose husband is president of the training school for deaconnesses, on North Capitol street, presided and the singing was led by Miss E. F.

some time this month asking that body to submit for ratification an amendment to the Constitution of the United

Density of Binary Stars. From the New York Sun.

Stellar statistics based on observations southern Algol variables give the same density, and eight others give eighteen one-hundredths. This close agreement is not likely to be fortuitous and the density indicated is such as would favor the dis-

Professor Darwin's *dumb-bell-shaped figout. To appreciate the advance, consider what Copernicus or Kepler or even Laplace would say to an announcement of the sort.

Gifts to Colleges.

tury the gifts to libraries, universities and within the District. colleges reached amazing totals. But it is already apparent that the twentleth century upon which we have entered is to age in the past with respect to magnificent benefactions for institutions of literature, of research, of education and culture. Dozens and scores of millions have been given for such objects in 1901. Ere long the totals of this astounding generosity will sear far up in the hundreds of millions.

Thames Watermen.

From the London Chronicle. Company, of which Doggett was a me



Suffered 20 Years.

ed frightfully for 20 years from itching, blind d bleeding piles. I tried many remedies with-TRAMID DRUG CO., Marshall, Mich. ja9&11 | known to be of a successful type.

JUVENILE OFFENDERS

Movement for Special Sessions of Court for Trials.

CONFERENCE HELD THIS AFTERNOON

Views of Major Sylvester, Superintendent of Police.

THE JUDGES INTERESTED

meeting late this afternoon in the office of District Commissioner Macfarland for the purpose of making arrangements for the holding of sessions of the Police Court for the trial of juvenile offenders. Judges Ivory G. Kimball and Charles F. Scott and Prosecuting Attorneys Pugh and Mullowny are to meet the Commissioners and discuss

It is known that the suggestion has been made that the juvenile court be held twice a week, the sessions to be held after the sessions of the regular court. The matter is one in which the parties named are very

much interested. In his last annual report Maj. Sylvester dwelt at length upon the question of dealing with children and women, and said: "That the judges of the Police Court should be authorized to arrange and pro-vide for the hearing and trial of the classes to which I have referred after the judges shall have determined the regular sessions selves into a court for the trial of women and children, with authority to invoke such privacy as may be in their judgment be warranted in order to shield the prisoners against humiliation and improper influ-

Appointment of Bailiffs.

"There should be appointed by the District Commissioners bailiffs to the number of five for duty in the Police Court, in lieu of policemen, who are now detailed for such purposes. The coming into contact with such officials in the court room will have a tendency to soften the fears and prejudices which naturally exist in the minds of women and children at the thought of being

in custody of a policeman.
"There should be appointed by the District Commissioners at least two truant of-ficers, who should be men of intelligence and have the powers and authority of members of the metropolitan police force and receive a salary of at least \$1,200 per annum. In addition to the police authority they should be authorized to enter premises upon the written order of any judge of the police or criminal courts to procure persons who might be released on probation or personal bonds or furlough by any of said judges, and in every way be under the direction and in the service of the judges of the courts aforesaid, and be paid as are other employes of the District government. "When, in the opinion of any of the said judges, a prisoner of the class referred to should be released on probation during good behavior, the judge who determines the case should give the name, address and all facts known to him concerning the prisoner to one of the truant officers, who should thereafter familiarize himself with the conduct and deportment of said prisoner, and keep informed as to the prisoner for such period as the judge might require; and should the conduct and deportment of the prisoner so released on probation be of such a character as to call for complaint on the part of the truant officer having the case in charge, or of any other person or persons of good reputation, the truant officer shall, if possible, reproduce the prisoner before the judge who tried the case, that he may be resentenced. And frequent complaints from persons other than truant officers about prisoners under their guarant vision should be cause for removal of such truant officers.
"Truant officers should be required to

make monthly reports of all matters re-lating to their work to the judges of the Police Court for their approval. There should be a stenographer or official reporter for the Police Court, whose duty should be to take down and transcribe for court record an abstract of all proceedings in the class of cases I have mentioned. He should be appointed by the Commissioners of the District of Columbia, and be allowed a salary of at least \$2,000 per annum, to be paid as are other employes of

Another Source of Anxiety.

The matter of a place of confinement for such youthful prisoners has also been the cause of much trouble. Maj. Sylvester is opposed to sending them to the jail or the workhouse. He is of the opinion that they should be sent to the Junior Republic at Annapolis Junction. In his report on this question the major had this to say:

"Referring to your communication of re-cent date relative to a place where the youth of the District might be committed and their minds and bodies be employed to advantage, if it were practicable, it occurs to me that the Junior Republic, recently established on a farm donated for the purpose in Maryland, might serve in such a way as to meet the requirements presented

to you.
"The institution, as I understand it, is a matter of interest to the boys confined therein through the valuable features of instruction and organization which are sustained.

the youth of the District coming before our courts might be by law placed in the cusof that institution, the same ends would be accomplished as would be had by the establishment of a new farm and school

Support of the Institution.

"I am not sufficiently familiar with law to know whether appropriations from the exceed the most dazzling dreams of any District and government funds could be utilized for the support of an institution without the District of Columbia or whether the government might join the state of Maryland in the partnership and conduct of same, but the idea to a layman seems

Junior Republic farm, in order that the state of Maryland might enjoy the privilege which it does now, would have to be divided between the government and that state, and the enactment of a law which would permit of the restraining and send-ing of such prisoners to that institution. "A law on the subject could be passed which should read something like the fol-

prisoners, both male and female, when adjudged guilty in the police or other court in the District of Columbia, of misdemeanors, first or second offense, or felonies, first offense, may be confined on the farm of the Junior Republic, located in the state of Maryland, where they shall be instructed in agriculture and manual training at an of so much per capita, the same to be paid out of money not otherwise appropriated, etc. Such prisoners to be furnish-ed with a certificate of ability and character at the close of their term of service."

Number of Sessions.

It is the opinion of most of the members of the police department that more than two sessions of the court should be held each week. Should only two sessions be held, the house of detention, it is believed, will not be able to give accommodations all times to those who are awaiting trial.

Adverse Action. The District Commissioners have taken

adverse action upon the request of D. N. Long for permission to place about 200 feet of his brick track road pavement system on South Capitol street at his own expense. In a report on the matter C. B. Hunt, the computing engineer, called attention to the policy of the office, which is well established, as adverse to any use of the public space for advertising purposes of any nature whatsoever. Capt. Newcomer, assistant to the Engineer Commissioner, has recommended that the writer be informed that after careful consideration it is deemed inadvisable to permit the construction of the Our gave blessed relief and part of a 50 cent box street, as this street presents none of the gave blessed relief and part of a 50 cent box street, as this street presents none of the features that would indicate the desirability Attle book. "Piles, Causes and Cure" mailed free. of a construction of this kind, even were it

Seventh and K Streets.

Tossed and Tumbled Muslin Underwear Marked for Exit.

All the small lots-broken lines-and mussed pieces-left from this week's January Muslin Underwear sale are to be hurried out tomorrow at cost-forgotten prices:

Odds and ends, consisting of fine Embroidery and Lace-trimmed Gowns, Long and Short Skirts, Long Chemise, Umbrella Drawers and French Corset Covers. Best materials, daintiest needlework. Sold up to \$1.75—69c.

Another lot of odds and ends and mussed pieces, consisting of Long and Short Skirts, Gowns, Chemise, French Corset Covers and Umbrella Drawers, all trimmed daintily and elaborately with lace and embroidery. 38c.

Choice of mussed and soiled Drawers, with cambric ruffle; 3 styles of Corset Covers, lace and embroidery trimmed; Children's Drawers, Infants' Slips, with cambric ruffle around neck and sleeves; and Children's Skirts, with walsts attached. Worth up to 29c.—15c.

Children's Wearables.

Small lot of Children's Caps, in white and colored silks; also of Eiderdown; trimmed with ribbon and tippet; mussed—but worth 25c. Small lot of Children's Gingham Dresses and

Corsets & Dressing Sacques

3 dozen Corsets-odds and ends-but what do you care, so long as the biggest kind of a bargain is here? Long and medium styles, among them the famous Thompson's Glove-fitting Corsets. "C. B.," "P. D." and other makes equally as well known. Odd sizes—white, drab and black. Sold up to \$2.50. 55C. Fifteen All-wool Eiderdown Dressing Sacques, with crochet edge and frog fastenings; French seams; plnk, blue and red; scattering sizes, of qualities sold up to \$1.25-49c.

Remnants of Black Goods. Consisting of All-wool Cashmeres, All-wool Storm Serges, All-wool Buntings, All-wool Albatross, All-wool Henriettas, All-wool Imp. Serges, All-wool Flannels, Pebble Cheviots, Brilliantines and Pierolas, Sold up to 20c.

Remnants of Silks At Clearance Prices.

A remnant lot of several pieces of Corded Wash Habutai Silks, in a good assortment of stripes in desirable colors, as well as the favored black and white; also a lot of Satin-finished Figured Foulard Silks, in a desirable range of choice patterns; shades you'll like

Good-bye to the Shoes-Odds and Ends and Broken Lots.

Children's Shoes of kidskin, box calf and patent leather, lace or button. Heavy extension soles. Solid leather throughout. Sizes 5 to 11. Regular price, \$1.00. Ladles'. Misses' and Children's Rubbers, storm or low cut. Regular price, 40c. 25c. which sold at 75c. and \$1.00 a pair. 33c. Boys' Regular \$1.50 and \$1.75 Shees, medium and heavy weights; some of the soles are cov-ered with steel circlets for extra wear. All sizes from 12 to 51/2. \$1.25 Ladies' Warm Fleece-lined Juliets, in felt and sateen quilted. Broken sizes. Regular price, \$1.00. Friday for..... 59c.

Our interpretation of the word "Remnants" is clearly understood—as well as our rigid rule of clearance every Friday. Broken lots-tossed and tumbled goods-slow-selling lines-all are classed under the one heading-and prices are put on them that make sure of speediest exit. It is, therefore, always an attractive occasion. But especially so at this time. Mid-January is devoted to stock righting and stock leveling. This means an unusual amount of merchandise turned into the Remnant Channels. The half cannot be told in detail. Believe every word of our advertising-for every statement is absolutely lived up to.

Wait for Our Sale of the Nelson Stock at About 50 Cents on the Dollar. Announcement of Details Will Be Made in a Few Days.

Laces and Embroideries.

A big remnant lot of new and pretty Torchon and Val. Laces, some very wide ones in the lot; both insertings and edgings; also Cambric Embroideries; desirable patterns. 178C. Regular 5c. value. Offered Friday at A table of Cambrie Embroideries worth up to Sc. yard; both edgings and insertings to match; complete assertment of patterns. 378c. Odds and ends of Zephyrs—not a complete range of shades—will be hurrled out 1 1/c.
Odds and ends of Spachtel Pillow Shams, in various designs; mussed and solled. 17c.

Velvet Remnants.

A remnant lot of Corduroys in a good assortment of colors, but no black. Quality sold at 69c, yard. Friday for. 48c. Remnant lot of Silk-pile Velvets, in black and a good range of desirable colors. Quality sold usually at 59c. yard— 39c.

Ribbon Remnants.

Remnant lot of All-silk Taffeta Ribbons, in A remnant lot of Al-sir laneta knoons, in all the best selling colors. Worth up 51/2C.

A remnant lot of Liberty Satin, Satin Taneta and Double-faced Satin Ribbons, in widths up to 4 inches; all desirable shades. Qualities sold up to 39c. yard. Fri- 121/2C.

Lining Remnants.

Millinery Odds and Ends. Odds and ends of Black Flowers, which sold at 25c. upward to 75c,—will be closed 10c. A lot of Farcy Feathers, including Wings, Birds, Quills. &c.—last of lots that sold from 25c. to 75c., for. 5 Lidies' Stylish Trimmed Bonnets, made of excellent ourlity relyet, and correctly trim-fied. Sold at \$4.00 and \$5.00-\$2.00 Black Coque Feather, Boas, in variety of styles. Sold from \$1.50 to \$2.00 59C. marked for Friday's selling at

Underwear Odds and Ends A lot of several dozen Ladies' All-wool Ribbed Pants, finely finished; heavy winter weight. Qualities sold at one dollar. Friday 48C.

Remnants of Linens. Remnants of very heavy Linen Roller Toweling, in 2 to 5-yard lengths. Fast selvage edges and fast color borders. Sold at 121-c. off the piece, Rei 150 remnant lengths of Table Damask, from 1½ to 4 yaids. Some are of cream German damask, some of the finer Scotch and Irish cloths. All are marked at a full third less than regular prices. A splendid opportunity

Men's Department.

Men's 4-ply 2100 Pure Linen Collars, in all

styles, standing and turn-down, and all

heights. Regular 1216c. quality, 3 2c. 10 dozen of Men's White Lamb's Wool Underwear, Shirts and Drawers to match; shirts taped neck and peari buttons; drawers double crotch and suspender tapes; broken sizes, but what is there is worth \$1.00. Closing out price.

Men's Working Shirts, made of good quality outing fiannel, light and dark patterns, neat stripes; full regular made; all sizes 23C.

Wright's Geauing Health Underwear. Wright's Genuine Health Underwear—SHIRTS ONLY—wool fleeced, pearl buttons and taped neck; sizes 40 to 48 only; 49c. 8 dozen of Men's White Unlaundered Dress Shirts, full regular made, double back and front, patent stays and gussets, cushion neck band and Union linen bosom; sizes 14, 14½, 15½ and 16½ only. Friday 25c.

Boys' Clothing.

Odds and ends and broken sizes of Boys' Fancy Sweaters, for boys of 7, 8 and 9 years of age. Sold at 50c.—Friday 19c. for.....

50c. Flannelette Night Robes, 25c. 50c. Yacht and Golf Caps, 19c. Boys' Suspenders, 5c. a pair. 25c. Waists, large sizes, 11c. Boys' Shirts and Shirt Waists, broken sizes and few of a kind. Sold up to 75c. 25c.

2 dozen Boys' Regular 50c. Knee Pants; sizes 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 14 years onlyneat, serviceable patterns. Friday 25c. Lot of 11 Boys' Reefers, in gray, tan and garnet; sizes 4 to 8 years. Sold up to \$3.00. Not enough to last—so you must \$1.25

13 Boys' Fancy Double-breasted Suits; sizes from 8 to 15 years. Last few suits from several lines. Sold up to \$5.00. \$2.00 Just six of these Boys' Fine Kersey Over-coats; sizes 18 and 19 years only. Qualities worth high as \$7.00. Friday the first half dozen callers get them \$3.25

A small lot of Boys' 3-piece Suits; sizes from 11 to 16 years, most of which sold for \$5.00. In cutaway sack style, with single-breasted vest and knee pants. Sold under these conditions:—not returnable \$2.29 or exchangeable. Friday......

Dress Goods Remnants. A remnant accumulation of Plaid-back Skirting Cloth, heavy weight-and does not require linings. In light, medium and Oxford gray, with neat plaid on reverse side. Sold 17c. Remnants of All-wool 38-inch Venetian

Cloth, 36-inch All-wool Cashmere, All-wool Plain Colored Challies, All-wool French Flannels and 38-inch All-wool Suitings and 38-inch All-wool Plaids. Qualities 27c. Remnants of All-wool 38-inch Cashmere. All-wool 46-inch Serge, 52-inch All-wool Cloths, 38-inch All-wool Granite, 56-inch All-Plaids, All-wool French Flannel, fine and Heavy-weight Striped Skirting, lies worth up to 75c. yard 37c. wool Plaids, twill, and I

Remnants of Draperies and Bedwear.

A remnant lot of 800 yards of Curtain Serim and Golden Draperies, in good usable lengths. Worth up to Sc. yard. Remnant 3 /2 C. Remnants and cut pieces of Draperies, including Curtain Swisses, Silkolines, Denims, Cretonnes, Fish Nets, &c.—in desirable lengths. Worth 12½c, to 25c, yard. Rem. 734C.

A lot of several dozen Fancy Colored Lambrequins, 2½ yards long—finished with heavy fringe. Regular price, 50c. Remnant 29C. Regular 50c. and 59c. Sofa Cushions, finished with 4-inch ruffle; variety of effects. 29c. Lot of 14 pairs of fine selected California Wool Blankets, in gray only—with colored borders; full double bed size. Regular \$3.00 and \$4.00 Blankets. Remnant \$2.48 Lot of several dozen White Crochet Bed-spreads, double bed size, Marseilles patterns. Regular 69c. value. These are soiled. 44C.

Mussed and Soiled Handkerchiefs.

Choice of hundreds of Ladies' Fine Quality Handkerchiefs, in many different styles, that are mussed or soiled. Sold at Sc. 434C. Thousands of Mussed and Tumbled Handker-

Odds and Ends of Gloves. Two hundred pairs of Ladies' Fine Kid Gloves, in every size from 3½ to 7%—and in black and all the favorite colors, excepting white. Regular 75c. quality. For 55c. ·Ladies' regular 23c. Three-button Fleece-lined Gloves, in all sizes; perfect kid 12 C.
Choice of Ladies' and Misses' Warm Double
Worsted Mitts, in all sizes; strong thread,
heavy quality; sort sold elsewhere at
19c. a pair. Offered Friday for...... 10C.

Mill Ends and Remnant Lots of Domestics.

Mill ends of Unbleached Canton Fland Mill ends of Unbleached Canton Flannel, in lengths from 2 to 10 yards—good 378C.

Remnants of Blue, Brown and Green Check Apron Ginghams, in lengths from 2 to 10 yards—offered Friday, per yd. 334C. Remnants of Light Colored Shirting Prints, Remnants of Light Colored Shirting Prints, in a good assertment of patterns—desirable stripes, figures and polka dots; fast 378C.

Short lengths of 5-quarter Table Olicloth, in white, fancy and marble effects; best quality. Sold at 21c. yard. 121/2C. A remnant lot of 40-inch Victoria Lawns good, usable lengths—offered Friday, 378C. Remnants of Domet Flannel, good weight and desirable lengths—offered Fri- 4762

Waists worth up to \$1.50 69 cents.

3 dozen only Flannelette Waists, which sold for 50c., will go to early Small Lots From the

Seventh and K Streets.

Wrappers worth up to \$1.502

69 cents.

The last remaining garments left from regular lines. 5 dozen in all-fleece-back finuelette, all made with flounce skirt and fancy ruffles over shoulder. Finished with fitted dressmaker-made linings. Sizes 36, 38, 40 and 42 only. Qualities sold regularly at \$1.00, \$1.25 and \$1.50-for.

5 All-wool Flannel Wrappers, sizes 84 and 86 only-in red, gray and navy-sold at \$1.69 \$3.98-for

Cloak Department.

Crepe de Chine Silk Dress Waists, claborately tucked, piested or corded. Some are fancy trimmed. All colors and black. Sold for \$6.00 and \$7.00—choice Friday \$2.95

12 Children's Fur Sets of white lamb-consisting of muff and neck scarf-sold at 69c.

2 lots of Children's Jackets; sizes 8, 10 and 12 years—at the following reduced prices: \$2.50 and \$3.00 Jackets at 98c. \$4.00 and \$5.00 Jackets at \$1.98.

20 Lidles' Raglans, in Oxford and black—satin lined to waist—tight-fitting backs and thoroughly tailored. Regular \$12.50 \$7.98 5 Velvetcen Dress Skirts, stylishly trimmed with braid. Regular \$10.98 value, \$5.00 offered Friday for.......\$5.00 17 Ladies' Tailor-made Suits of Imported Venetian and cheviot. Silk-lined jacket and correctly cut flounce skirt. Sold at \$9.50 \$12.50 and \$15.00. Friday for \$9.50 12 Ladies' Cloth Capes, 30 inches long—of kersey and boucle cloth, in black, castor and garnet. Sold for \$10.00—Frl. \$5.98

Lot of Ladies' Walking Skirts, one and two of a kind. Of thibet, vicuna and golf cloths-in black and colors. Worth \$5, \$6 \$3.09

Jewelry Odds and Ends.

We have culled out all the small lots and odds and ceds of articles in this section—and marked them for quick clearance tomorrow, included are Beauty Pins, Stick Pins, Barettes for the hair, Necktie Holders, Collar Buttons, Combs, Hat Pins, Pictures on carbon mats ready for framing, and many other useful articles besides. All put tegether on a center table and choice offered tomorrow 1 C.

Reloleum, just like vaseline, offered 2c Large bottles of Hartshorn's Household Ammonia offered tomorrow, per bottle, 3c.

Hosiery Odd Lots.

Men's regular 50c. Woolen Half Hose, inatural and nickel color; silk spliced hee toe and sole; all sizes. Friday 25c. Men's Seamless Half Hose, in fast black and black with white feet; also fancy patterns.

RELATING TO LOCAL JURIES

QUESTION AFFECTING TRIALS IN

Chief Justice Bingham Proceeds With Hearing by Consent of Counsel-

that the joint resolution of Congress relating to local juries, which passed the House of Representatives the 17th of December, did not become law until yesterday, and that, therefore, there can be no jurors serving legally in the courts at the present time. Chief Justice Bingham, in Circuit Court No. 1, announced that he would proceed with the trial of the civil cause on hearing before him only by agreement of counsel that the jury was satisfactory. The

agreement was promptly reached. Practically a similar situation obtained in Circuit Court No. 2. In Criminal Court No. Justice Anderson excused the jury until tomorrow, declining to proceed with any trials by jury today. During the midday recess of the courts the justices met and discussed the issue. When they separated it was with the understanding to further

consider the question.
In the civil courts the hearing of cases proceed by agreement of counsel, but in the criminal court conditions are differ-

the 17th of December, provided that "all grand and petit juries in the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia and all petit juwhich shall have been organized or drawn under existing laws at the time this code goes into effect shall serve out their respective terms, and vacancies therein shall be filled under existing laws."

Why Resolution Was Necessary. Such a resolution was made necessary by reason of the fact that the code placed matters in such condition that no juries could be had, under its terms, for service in any of the courts during the present month. The facts are that the resolution was signed by the Speaker of the House prior to the Christmas recess, but the signature of the president pro tem, of the Senate was 6th instant, the code having gone into effect the 1st instant. The resolution was then sent to the White House and was

struction of the phrase "under existing contained in the resolution. appears from the contents of the resolu-

signed by the President yesterday after-

tion that the law under which the juries shall have been organized or drawn was the law in operation at the time the code went into effect, meaning the code, the resolution having been passed as an amendment to the code. Therefore, it is maintained the present jurors are serving legally. Mr. E. W. Oyster disclaims that he in-

roduced at a meeting of the Central Labo

Union, a resolution opposing a \$10,000,000

bond issue by the District of Columbia, and favoring the raising of the funds necessary for the improvement of the national capital by a tax on land, values, franchises and certain occupations. ber of the Central Labor Union and that the resolution above referred to was introduced by Mr. William Silver and unan-

BURSTING OF A BOILER. Said to Have Been Caused by Increas-

ed Water Pressure. An explosion of a water heater occurred last night in the house of Mr. Mahlon B. Stotsenburg, No. 1000 South Carolina avenue southeast, which caused some damage and considerable excitement. Mrs. Stotsen burg had just entered the kitchen, when the bursting of the boiler was followed by the

escaping of steam and water. The basement was partly flooded. A prumber who was summoned cut off the water and made an investigation. It was his opinion that the bursting of the boiler was due to the high pressure following the turning on of the extra water supply. The only actual damage done was to the boiler. Other residents of the eastern section of the city were annoyed last night by the noise made in the pipes by the increased pressure, but so far as is known no dam-

age other than that at the home of Mr.

Stotsenburg was incurred. Anacostia and Vicinity.

The funeral of James Alexander, one of the best-known colored men in this section, who died Monday at his home in Hillsdale. took place yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the Campbell A. M. E. Church, on Nichols avenue. Rev. Frank P. Lewis, the pastor, conducted the service. The deceased was sixty-seven years old. His wife and several children, one of whom, a daughter, is a local school teacher, survive im. The burial was made in Moore's cemetry.
Mrs. W. G. Davenport, wife of the rector

f the Emmanuel Protestant Episcopa church, has recovered from illness and is able to be out again.

The building on premises No. 34 Harrison street has been remodeled for the owner, Mr. J. J. Appich of the city.

Nears the Finishing Stages. The work on the new stable for St. Eliza beth's Asylum for the Insane, under construction on the farm land near the asylum parns, is approaching the finishing stages

The first plan was for an entire brick structure, but to bring the building within the amount of the appropriation, \$25,000, it was found necessary to build the first story of brick and the second one of lumber. The story of woodwork has been constructed in of the building. The stalls have been put in and are concreted. Entrance to the stable is to a court yard, and there are separate places for farm teams and car-riages. Employes will occupy the upper story. It will not be long before the build-

Arthur Anderson, twenty-four years old,

ing will be in use.

former resident of Brooklyn, N. Y., was brought here this morning from a military post in New Mexico We enlisted about two months ago and just before he was sent to his post Arthur Ashworth, another cavalryman, was robbed of two rings and \$7 in cash. One of the pieces of jewelry was a solitaire diamond ring worth \$90. This ring was pawned for \$40, and the person who pawned it had previously made an effort to sell it for a few dollars.

Detectives Peck and Miller made an investhe man who had pawned the ring. The military authorities were notified and Anderson was brought back here. A warrant has not been issued for his arrest and the detectives think he will be tried by court-

Major Richard Sylvester, the superintend

ent of police, has recommended to the Commissioners that Edward T. Byrne be appointed a guard at the house of detention at \$1.50 a day, vice Skinner, removed. The last of the mains is defined the company and the following officers: A. P. Taylor, president; William Curran, vice president; J. F. Baker, secretary and general manation of the main plan as outlined above will be carried out.

Justice Scott of New York has decided that the main plan as outlined above will be carried out.

MUD ON SIDEWALKS

Complaint of Citizens Regarding Conditions in Eckington. The North Capitol and Eckington Citi-

tion of the District Commissioners the fact that mud is thick on the sidewalks in Eckington and that there is great necessity for the improvement of streets adjacent to and in Eckington. The computing engithe superintendent of streets shows as follows: That on N street east of North Capitol street the roadway is unimproved and is above the level of the sidewalk, but no material evidence was found of the flooding of the walk on this account. Until the general roadway conditions are changed by improvement, funds for which are not now available, the present conditions will have to maintain and do not seem to be a cause, the computing engineer says, for

any reasonable complaint. The conditions on R street, it is stated. near 2d street, are due to mud on the asphalt roadway, which has been called to the attention of the street and alley cleaning department and the small amount on sidewalk will be removed by the owner of the property. The mud on the roadway of North Capitol street at Florida avenue and on that avenue near Q street is slight in amount and has been called to the attention of the street cleaning department. The association will be advised that the Commissioners have included in the esti-mates as forwarded to the Treasury Department the paving of Rhode Island avenue from Florida avenue to 1st street and the macadamizing of North Capitol from T street to Michigan avenue, but until Congress has acted on the submitted estiprovements can be made in the ensuing

During the performance at Kernan's Theater last evening a man occupying a seat in a private box threw a beer glass at one of the performers on the stage, but which, luckily, did not hit the target. Special Officer Warnell entered the box and arrested the man, who gave the name of Welby Carter. He was escorted to the first pre-cinct police station, where he was released on \$10 collateral. He failed to respond when his name was called in the Police Court this morning, and the collateral was declared to be forfeited.

Files Petition. Martin A. Gottwals, a carpenter and builder of 1151 5th street northeast, through

Attorneys P. Walker and F. R. Keys, has filed a petition in voluntary bankruptcy. His summary of debts is stated to be \$1,223 and his assets \$200. Blaze Entails Loss of \$50. The District superintendent of repairs has reported to the Commissioners that the cost

of repairs made necessary by a fire at the Garnet School building is \$50. Captain Harding, assistant to the Engineer Com-

missioner, has recommended that Messrs. Wolf & Cohen be advised of the esti-mated cost for repairs as reported, and that they be requested to arrange for defraying the cost of repairs, the building having been insured through that firm. Denied the Use of the Mails. A fraud order, based on the charge that the company conducted a fraudulent bond investment scheme and lottery, has been issued by the Postmaster General against the Industrial Mutual Deposit Company of

Lexington, Ky. By the terms of the order

the use of the mails is denied the company

AFFAIRS IN GEORGETOWN.

St. John's Protestant Episcopal Church Calls a Pastor. A call has been extended for the services zens' Association has called to the attenof Rev. Frederick B. Howden of Cumberland, Md., to the rectory of St. John's Church, corner Potomac and O streets, a vacancy having been caused by the resignation of Rev. Frank Barton. No reply has as yet been received, but it is believed neer has reported that an examination by that the call will be accepted. The new minister is prominent in church circles. He is one of the archdeacons of the diocese of Maryland and an assistant of Bishop Paret. Bishop Satterlee is said to terest in the matter.

Arrangements have been made for a meeting this evening at 8 o'clock at the hall of the First Co-operative Building As-sociation, 1325 32d street, at which the presidents of the various citizens' ciations of the District are expected to be present. At the last meeting of the George-town Citizens' Association a resolution was acted upon which had been presented at a prior meeting, looking toward the formation of a joint executive committee of all of the associations in the District, with the idea in view of securing a concerted recommendation upon all needed public improvements. Dr. Keene, the secretary pro tempore of the meeting, has farwarded letters to each of the presidents of the fifteen or sixteen citizens' associations in the District, and it is expected that there will be a good attendance at the meeting tonight. Plans for the permanent organization of a central body will be discussed.

John L. Thomas of 2488 Philips court, reported to the Georgetown police last evening that about 8 o'clock, while in an alley in the square bounded by 28th, 29th and in the square bounded by 25th, 25th and M streets and the canal, he was knocked down and robbed of a \$10 bill. According to his report the robbery was committed by another colored man named Isaac Goven, for whom the police are now look-

ing.
The theft of \$40, one \$20 and two \$10 bills, from a trunk in a front room, second floor, of the residence of Eugene Brown, 3272 Prospect avenue, has been reported to the police. The theft occurred several days ago. Precinct Detective Burrows is working on the case.

Rev. Francis McAtee was reported to be considerably improved this morning. Littlefield, Alvord & Company have secured a permit to haul eight loads, averaging from eight to ten tons each, across the P street bridge, provided due precautions are taken for the safety of the structure.

BURNS' BIRTHDAY.

Proposed to Hold Exercises in First

Presbyterian Church.

The 25th day of January is a day of hallowed memory to every person who has a drop of Scotch blood in his or her veins. It is the birthday of Robert Burns, a man whom all Scotchmen and many others of different nationalities look on as the greatest poet and writer of human character the world has produced. It has been the custom of the local Burns Society to celebrate the anniversary of the poet's birth by a dinner and various exercises in honor of the famous Scotchman. This year it is proposed to take a departure from this custom and to give the ladies and the many other admirers of Burns who are not me admirers of Burns who are not members of the society an opportunity to take part in the exercises. It is proposed to hold a commemorative celebration at the First Presbyterian Church, at which addresses will probably be made by several members of Congress and others and a number of Burns' songs will be sung. The arrangements for the program have not been completed as yet, but it has been definitely decided that the main plan as outlined above will be carried out.

to the extent of their holdings

SUBMIT AN EXPLANATION.

Commissioners Return Bill Regarding Policemen at Crossings. The District Commissioners have for! warded a report to Representative J. W. Babcock, chairman of the House District committee, respecting House bill 2631, granting certain privileges to the special

policemen stationed at street crossings in

the District of Columbia which was re-

ferred to them for examination and report.

"These special policemen," the Commis-

sioners say, "are paid wholly out of funds

contributed by the railroad corporations whose lines intersect at the localities where be anxious to have the minister come to these policemen are employed. These officers are appointed by the Commissioners in compliance with the provision of section s of 'An act to define the rights of pur-chasers of the Belt railway, and for other purposes,' approved June 24, 1898, as amended by section 6 of 'An act relating to the metropolitan police of the District of Columbia, approved February 28, 1901.
"The major of police reports that they have generally performed commendable service. The Commissioners believe that these officers need, and should have, an annual leave of absence, with pay, and not be deprived of their salary while absent on account of sickness extending over a period not greater than that allowed members of the regular police force. The bill makes no provision for the payment of their com-pensation during such absence. If Congress should concur with the Commiss ers in this view, an annual appropriation

> of the street railway crossing policement during leaves of absence and absence from duty on account of illness. "The present number of regular crossing policemen is thirty-seven, whose daily com pensation approximate \$2.50 each. pensation approximate \$2.50 each. The average number of days lost on account of illness each year by each of the regular police officers is twenty. Hence to give effect to this bill by allowing each street crossing policeman the leave of absence and for illness allowed to regular policemen, that is, forty days, would require an appripriation of \$3,700."

should be made to provide for the payment

Request for Street Improvement. John K. Pfeil of 204 22d street has requested of the District Commissioners that 22d street from New York avenue to B street northwest be improved. The computing engineer has reported that under the provisions of an appropriation by Congress 22d street north of New York avenue was improved by macadamizing the roadway or by individual appropriation, and persona knowledge of the street, confirmed by a re cent examination, does not show its phys-ical condition or the surroundings to be such as to justify exceptional consideration

To Purchase a Statue

Mr. Foraker has introduced in the Senate

purchase a bronze statue, "The Minute

Men," by Melva Beatrice Wilson, for not more than \$17,000, the statue to be erected in a public park of this city. Norman Hutchinson Confirmed. The Senate yesterday afternoon confirmed the nomination of Norman Hutchinson of

California to be secretary of the legation

SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

Fervent prayers were offered by members

of the Women's Foreign Missionary Solety, in session at the First Presbyterian church today, that the life of Miss Stone, the American missionary held in captivity and for a ransom in Bulgaria, might be spared. Mrs. J. L. Gilbert led in the prayer and there was a general chorus of Amens on the part of the hundred or more women from the different churches

Kelley.

Mrs. Bradley, who was for twenty-nine

Tomorrow's meeting of the society will be of particular interest. The subject for discussion will be "The Family and the School." Mothers and all persons in-terested in home life are urged to attend. Mrs. T. F. Moore will lead the meeting. The abolition of Mormonism is an impor-tant question that has come before the society. Millions of names have been signed to petitions that will be presented to Con-

at the Lick University show that one star in five or six is a spectroscopic binary. We may estimate, therefore, that there are about 800 variables of the type of Algol brighter than the ninth magnitude, though only twenty-two such systems are now known. From known formulae it has been calculated by Professor Russell of Princeton that the mean density of seventeen Algol stars is nineteenth hundredths (water being taken as unit density). Four

ruption of a rapidly rotating mass. Observations accurate to two-hundredths of magnitude would determine the figure of the two components. Five of the Algol stars revolve with the two components in contact; the components of two others are known to be ellipsoid; another (R. R. Cenures of revolution. In certain cases then the shapes of the component stars of a

From the New York Tribune. In the last decade of the nineteenth cen-

Thames as a highway it is surprising that the professional waterman should flourish as he does. This is in great part owing to the prize which Thomas Doggett, comedian, established to commemorate the accession of the House of Brunswick. For 179 years now, on August 1 every year, six young watermen just out of their apprenticeship have rowed for the flame-colored coat and padge for which Doggett in his will rovided in perpetuity. The Fishmongers provides other prizes, and the contest still excites more than a local interest.